

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A deflector element (14) for use with an electrical connector (10) which can be attached to an electrical cable (16), the deflector element having a deflector surface (88a), and it being possible for said deflector element to be attached to the cable when used with said connector such that it can be pushed on the cable into a first position adjacent to the connector such that the deflector surface is angularly disposed with respect to the direction of extent of the cable so as to converge towards the cable away from the connector, for deflecting electric cabling around the connector when the connector is moved through interstices in the electric cabling by the lead being pulled and can be pushed into a second position on the cable so as to be spaced apart from the connector, it being possible in the second position for the deflector element to allow access to electrical contacts (82) of the connector.
2. (ORIGINAL) The deflector element as claimed in claim 1 having pocket parts for receiving contact parts of the connector.
3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical connector having a deflector element as claimed in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~.
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical connector element (50) having a plurality of insulation displacement contacts (54) and a plurality of electrical contacts (82), the insulation displacement contacts and the electrical contacts being interconnected by electrical conductors (tracks 78), it being possible for the connector element to be received in a socket structure (44) of a connector body of an electrical connector (10) such that the insulation displacement contacts (54) displace the electrical insulation (72) of insulated wires (70) received by the connector body so as to establish an electrical connection between electrical conductors (74) of the wires and the insulation displacement contacts (54), the connector element (50) being formed by a laminar, insulating substrate which carries said insulation displacement contacts (54).

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical connector (10) having a first part (30) which has a cable receiving part (36) for receiving an end part of an electrical cable (16) such that the cable extends away from the first part (30), at a first side (49) thereof, in a direction transverse to the first part (30), and insulated wires (70) of the cable (16) are received by the first part (30), said first part (30) having, at a location spaced apart from the cable receiving part (36), a mounting structure (44) which receives a first end part (55) of a connector element (50) as claimed in claim 4 such that the insulation displacement contacts (54) of the connector element receive and make electrical contact with said wires (70), said connector element (50) having, at a second end part (57) opposite said first end part (55), electrical contacts (82) for making electrical connection to electrical contact members (120) of a mating connector device, said connector element (50) extending from said first part (30) of the connector at said first side (49) thereof so as to be generally parallel to said transverse direction.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The electrical connector (10) as claimed in claim 5 for mating assembly to a said connector device in the form of a connector module (100) having openings (122) for receiving said electrical contacts (82), said electrical connector (10), when assembled to the connector module (100), being arranged with said side (49) of the first part (30), which is adjacent to and extends transversely over part of the module (100), adjacent to said openings (122), and with the connector element (50) extending therefrom into the module (100) so that said electrical contacts (82) of the connector engage with the contact members (120) of the module, and with said cable receiving part (36) positioned for receiving the cable (16) such that it extends away from the first part (30) adjacent to a side of the module (100).

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An insulation displacement contact (54) having a structure defining a slot (58), formed between two spaced apart, opposing parts (60) of the structure, for receiving an insulated wire (70), by lateral movement of the wire (70) so that the wire is gripped between the opposing parts (60) and the insulation (72) of the wire is displaced by engagement with at least one of the opposing parts so that an electrical connection is established between an inner conductor (74) of the insulated wire and said at least one opposing part, wherein the opposing parts are formed from an insulating material, a conductive edge part (62) being

disposed on the insulating material at said at least one opposing part at a location thereof for making said electrical connection.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in claim 7, wherein said conductive edge part (62) is disposed on the insulating material at said at least one opposing part at an edge surface thereof which defines a side of the slot.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in claim 7, which is arranged for displacement of the wire insulation (72) by engagement with both of the opposing parts (60), a conductive edge part (62) being disposed on the insulating material at the other of said opposing parts, for establishing an electrical connection between said inner conductor and the other said opposing part.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in claim 8, wherein the conductive edge part (62) is disposed on said at least one opposing part at said at least one opposing part (60) at an edge surface thereof which defines a side of the slot.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in claim 9, wherein the conductive edge parts (62) on the insulating material, at each said opposing part (60) are disposed at edge surfaces of the opposing parts which surfaces define respective sides of the slot.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in ~~one of claims 7 to 11~~ claim 7, wherein said structure is formed from a laminar, insulating substrate (52) to which one or each of said conductive edge parts (62) is applied.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The insulation displacement contact as claimed in claim 12 in the form of a printed circuit board, conductor tracks (78) being formed on the printed circuit board and electrically coupled to one or each of said conductive edge parts (62).

14. (ORIGINAL) A method of forming an electrical conductor from a hollow body and a part for receiving a connector element as claimed in claim 4 having insulation displacement contacts at one end which are electrically coupled to contacts on fingers at the other end, the fingers extending from openings in the hollow body, the body being in two parts, one having said openings and an entry passageway for an electrical cable having insulated wires, and the other having a socket structure for receiving said one end of said connector element, and said wires, the method including the steps of:

- a) passing said wires through said entry passageway and arranging them such that they are received at said socket structure,
- b) assembling said connector element so that said one end is received and retained in said socket structure such that the insulation of the wires is displaced by said insulation displacement contacts so as to establish an electrical connection to conductors of the wires and thus to the finger contacts,
- c) assembling the body parts so that the connector element is retained in said body with said fingers extending externally thereof, and said finger contacts are positioned externally.